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UTILITY PATENT
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Asst. Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Enclosed for filing is an [X] original patent application or, [] a continuation-in-part patent application, by inventor(s) Youping Zhang, Christophe Pierrat, entitled FACILITATING MINIMUM SPACING AND/OR WIDTH CONTROL DURING OPTICAL PROXIMITY CORRECTION.

No. of pages in Application: 30; No. of Claims: 36.

No. of Sheets of Drawings: Formal: 13, Informal: 0.

Also enclosed are:

- [] a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 in
- [] a separate document [] the declaration;
- [] a certified copy of the priority document;
- [] an Associate Power of Attorney;
- [] ___ verified statement(s) claiming small entity status;
- [x] a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney of the inventors(s);
- [] a signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney of the inventors will follow;
- [x] an Assignment document and form PTO-1595; ✓
- [] a Power of Attorney by Assignee; and
- [] Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449.

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| CLAIMS | | | | | |
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| | NO. OF CLAIMS | | EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE | FEE |
| Basic Application Fee | | | | | \$740.00 |
| Total Claims | 36 | MINUS 20 = | 16 | \$18.00= | \$288.00 |
| Independent Claims | 6 | MINUS 3 = | 3 | \$84.00= | \$252.00 |
| If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$260.00 | | | | | 0 |
| Total Application Fee | | | | | \$1,280.00 |
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| Add Recording Fee of \$40.00 if Assignment document is enclosed | | | | | \$40.00 |
| TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE | | | | | \$1,320.00 |

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 1,320.00 is enclosed.
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